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## GOVERNOR CURRY INVITED TO ADDRESS CITIZENS OF TUCUMCARI, JULY FOURTH

School Directors Plan for Celebration of Anniversary of Independence With Pompous Corner Stone Laying at the New Tucumcari High School Building

### REED HOLLOWAN TO MAKE WELCOME ADDRESS

Tucumcari is planning for a celebration on the Fourth of July that will undoubtedly do the city proud. The first mention of plans for the occasion was brought up by the school directors for district No. 12, at a meeting held last Tuesday night.

It was proposed by the board to have a cornerstone laying at the new school house, and to have the whole city take part in the exercises. This is to be an occasion that will mark an epoch in the progress of the city, and interest the citizens more generally in the cause of education.

An invitation has been sent to Governor Curry to attend the ceremonies that day, and officiate in the laying of the cornerstone, marking the anniversary of the occasion. As far as the governor has not answered the invitation, but there is little doubt that what he will accept it unless his itinerary calls for a picture engagement on that day.

City Attorney Reed Hollowan has been invited to make the address of welcome to the governor and other visitors who may be invited to attend the exercises.

All the fraternal orders of the city will be invited to take part in the ceremonies, and attend the laying of the stone in regular or in mass as suits them best. This will be the first cornerstone laying that has been held in Tucumcari since the county courthouse was built, when the city was nothing but a small village, and few of the people living here now were present on that occasion.

The stone is to be a unique one, and cannot be had as are most corner stones, since the walls of the building will be above the second story by the Fourth of July. Architect Rapp, of Trinidad, who is in the city, has been consulted and drew the plans of a concrete receptacle and drawer which will fill the hill even better than a stone.

### PROGRESSING WORK.

Contractor Schubel reports the most satisfactory progress on the erection of the new High School building. The concrete footings have already been laid and the walls in the basement and the foundation are rapidly taking form.

### INSPECT TRACK.

Superintendent Morris, Master Mechanic Gordon and Water Superintendent Clough, spent a portion of the week inspecting the track and arranging for equipment between this city and Duran, in preparation of a desirable schedule for the Golden State Limited, which is to be put on the Rock Island next week.

### MATRONS' CONTEST WON BY MRS. EADY

Small Gathering Hears Declamations at Anderson School House.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union repeated the Matrons' Medal contest, which was held in this city a week ago yesterday night, at the Anderson school house, five miles east of this city last Friday night. The contest was won by Mrs. Eady, the other contestants being Mrs. Rusby, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Manney and Mrs. Ambridge.

Mrs. Golden presided and several musical selections were rendered by the choir of the Anderson school. Those attending the contest from this city were Mrs. Browning, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Roy, Mrs. McAlpine, Mrs. Doughty, Mrs. Godwin, Simpson and Eady. Messrs. Pickering, McElroy and McBrine were the judges of the contest and the medal was presented to the winner by attorney Harry H. McElroy.

### REFRESHING RAINS.

Quay county was generally showered the first of the week with refreshing rains, Sunday and Monday. Tucumcari received less than other localities, but, nevertheless, the citizens here rejoice with those who received the rain, for this city is benefitted by moisture, no matter where it falls in the county.

### CLIMBING PARTY.

Miss Jessie Berry entertained a party of young friends in her home three miles north-east of this city last Sunday. After a traditional country dinner had been served the party took a climb on the mesa back of the claim, where they took several kodak pictures among the large boulders of the mesa, and thoroughly enjoyed the trees and birds and rocks. After supper they returned to the city by moonlight.

### BONDSMEN SURRENDER "UNCLE" JOHN CHRISTIANY TO THE COUNTY SHERIFF

The jail and brigade of the county jail was augmented by one prisoner this week when "Uncle" John Christiany made his entrance to await the convening of the district court next October. Uncle John is charged with shooting horses on his claim, near Dodson.

The shooting took place almost a year ago, but after his arrest, at the time, the prisoner was released on bond, several men signing the security for his appearance in court. The case has been postponed from time to time, however, since the arrest, and Christiany has been living peacefully on his claim until this week, when he

### SAN JON IN BEST BIB AND TUCKER

Singing Convention Draws Large Gathering to the Little Village.

### ALL ENJOY DINNER

Key to City is Thrown Away and a Thousand People Enter.

One of the largest gatherings ever seen in San Jon was present at the Sunday school singing convention held there last Sunday. Delegates and visitors from all over Quay county were present and the congregation is said to have been one of the jolliest ever assembled in one place.

After the reception has been sealed into place a plate of bronze, bearing the names of the directors, architect and contractor, will be placed over the stone and fastened there by bolts, the stone is to be located in the large tower at the side of the main entrance, where it will be in full view of all who enter.

This is to be a gala occasion for the citizens of Tucumcari, and will be the main feature of the Fourth of July celebration. Just what else will be done on one day has not been decided, but there is considerable talk to the effect that the city would celebrate the anniversary of the declaration of independence in a style truly American.

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### SHIPPED CATTLE.

John Taylor, a prominent cattle man of Cuervo, shipped twenty car loads of cattle through this city to the eastern markets this week. The cattle were all in good condition and commanded a good price.

### SOX SOCIAL.

The ladies of the Home Mission society of the Methodist Episcopal church South will give a "sox social" at the home of Mrs. J. E. Elkins, next Tuesday evening. The affair promises to be a most enjoyable one and every one is invited to attend.

### CURRY APPOINTS FIFTY DELEGATES

The Governor's Suggestion Meets Approval of Board of Control.

### LARGE CONGRESS

Spokane, Wash., June 4.—Governor George Curry, of New Mexico, has sent a letter to R. E. Ingerster, chairman of the board of control of the National Irrigation congress, asking for permission to appoint fifty delegates from that territory, to take part at the seventeenth session in Spokane, August 9 to 14. Governor Curry says among other things:

"The people of New Mexico are now trying to arrange for a special train to visit the congress, and I hope there will be a party of about sixty, in addition to several ladies who will accompany the delegates. I would like to appoint about fifty delegates, with the understanding they shall be entitled to only the regular vote allowed each state and territory."

Mr. Ingerster has advised Governor Curry that his suggestion meets with the approval of the board of control, and that it is hoped the governor who is successful in interesting even a larger number, as every district represented is bound to be benefited by the congress.

"We have been advised by R. E. Twitchell, of Las Vegas, that his city will be well represented," said Mr. Ingerster, "and," he adds, "if we come you will know we are in town." We are glad to have the cooperation of the governor of New Mexico, and I do not believe either he or his delegates will have cause to regret coming to visit us."

### CROSS SHOTS.

It was learned here Thursday that J. L. Frazier, a fireman on a switch engine at Duran, who is well known in this city, crossed roads with a hotel proprietor by the name of Long at Duran, last Wednesday night, and seriously injured the hotel man. The trouble grew out of jealousy, it is said, on the part of Long, who thought Frazier was too attentive to his wife.

According to testimony Long opened fire on Frazier, but without effect, and that the gun was still in defense. Long was struck three times, once between the eyes, another shot entered his lungs and a third pierced his right arm.

The preliminary trial took place at Duran Thursday, and Frazier was released on a five hundred dollar bond.

### CARR IS INDICTED BY FEDERAL JURY

Considerable Difficulty is Experienced in Securing a Petit Jury.

### LOCAL WITNESSES

Conductor Has Number of Friends Who Watch Case With Interest.

The only proceedings in the federal court, now convened at Alamogordo, attracting attention is the Oliver Carr trial. Carr is a well-known South western passenger conductor and is charged with smuggling Chinese into the country.

Carr was indicted by the grand jury last Tuesday morning and was placed on trial immediately afterward. The case has been progressing slowly ever since, there being great difficulty in securing a jury.

A number of witnesses of this city have been summoned by the defense, and a few Tucumcarians are sitting on both the grand and the petit jury.

Carr was arrested in Tucumcari last January and was released on a thousand dollar bond immediately afterward. The case is attracting considerable interest in local railroad circles, as the defendant has a large number of friends here.

### RICE SHOWER.

It was quite an anticipated proceeding for a judge to be taking the leading part in, but nevertheless, it is true that Judge Cutlip was the recipient of a rice shower at the station at Obar last Monday evening. Judge Cutlip had been in Obar on a business trip as is mentioned in another portion of the News, and the significance of showering him with rice cannot be conceived, since the nature of the judge's business, as far as furnished the only silver dollar he had into his shirt pocket so as to protect his heart.

At any rate the shots caused a confusion, and when the man carrying the gun took out and turned the wind around the corner of the electric after the two pedestrians were at his heels, the night watchman in the interest of his duty, while the other, for getting off the danger of firearms, following in the enthusiasm of a news story, as he fancied the only silver dollar he had into his shirt pocket so as to protect his heart.

The chase was continued as far as the Wigwam saloon, where two more shots were fired through the darkness, apparently without aim, however, since no trace of bullet marks could be found on anybody upon examination at sunrise.

At the Wigwam, though, the man vanished from sight and no more shots were heard to indicate his direction; he made good his escape, and to date has not been identified, despite the efforts of the officers to do so.

The effort to locate the gun toter will be continued and if the man is found in the future, he will be invited to relate his story to Judge Patterson some morning in police court.

### ANNIVERSARY DINNER.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Muirhead entertained a party of friends at 7 o'clock dinner last Tuesday evening, the occasion being the sixth anniversary of their wedding.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Eller and Mrs. Conrad.

### O'CONNOR'S GRADE IS PROGRESSING

Contractor is Assured of Steel Trackage by Middle of Month.

### AGAIN MOVES CAMP

East bound Golden State Limited only escaped being wrecked and robbed near Duran last Wednesday night, by the timely approach of a freight train, which was running on the time of the incident. The passenger train was a bit behind time with the freight train, under Conductor Hare, in advance a few miles.

The wrecking occurred between Epris and Indianola, when the engine of the freight was sent to the ditch by several ties and rails which had been keeled on the track. The robbers had not fully prepared for their work, and when the freight train left the rails the crew was the recipient of several volleys of shots from the firearms of the wreckers. Fireman Hall only escaped being shot to death by a narrow margin. The "hold-ups" then made their escape to a small grove, and to date have not been identified.

### SENATE COMMITTEE CONFIRMS COOLEY

Washington, May 31.—The Senate judiciary committee decided to report favorably the nomination of A. W. Cooley as federal judge in New Mexico. The nomination of G. W. Woodruff as federal judge in Hawaii is still in the hands of the subcommittee.

### ANOTHER TRAIN.

The citizens along the Dawson road are elated over the report that another daily passenger train is to be run over the Dawson. The report is not yet officially confirmed, but it is very probable that the other train will be put on in the near future. It will leave this city in the evening and return in the morning. The new train will be run to better care for the mail service.

### CURRY COUNTY GETS FIFTEEN DISTRICTS

S. C. Cramer, the county superintendent of schools, has made his official report for the year, which shows that fifteen school districts of this county have been added to Curry county. The amount of money in the treasury, coming from these districts, is \$1,357.38, and a voucher has been made out for the money, and will be turned over to the treasurer of Curry county at once. The school districts which were taken from this county in the creation of Curry county are districts 22, 23, 24, 25, 35, 40, 43, 62, 76, 87, 90, 91, 93, 95 and 96.

### PICNIC PARTY.

A delightful picnic party was given by Misses Edna and Merle Koch, in honor of their guests, Miss Berrie Lane and Miss Helen Canning, of Carizozo, last Monday. The party went to the westbound Rock Island train last Monday morning. Clayton was seated just behind a man from Kansas City, with whom he had been in conversation for some time. Finally the conversation lagged and while both were looking idly out of the window, the man in front suddenly drew a flask of whisky from his coat pocket. He drank the liquor at one gulp, broke the flask over the seat arm and proceeded

### INTO CONFUSION TWO ARE THROWN

Report of Firearm Breaks Early Morning Silence on Second Street.

### HOT CHASE FOLLOWS

No Identification of Starter Has Yet Been Made by Police.

Second street pedestrians were thrown into quite a panic by the firing of two shots just a little before day break, last Tuesday morning. It is true the streets were not crowded, which is considered fortunate, since there was no one to be seen save Night Watchman Captain Wilkinson and a news representative. The night watchman was, of course, on duty at that hour, but just what the news reporter was doing there has not been learned.

At any rate the shots caused a confusion, and when the man carrying the gun took out and turned the wind around the corner of the electric after the two pedestrians were at his heels, the night watchman in the interest of his duty, while the other, for getting off the danger of firearms, following in the enthusiasm of a news story, as he fancied the only silver dollar he had into his shirt pocket so as to protect his heart.

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The cost of connection will be paid by the sewerage system just as people will enjoy water and light service. There is little doubt, however, but what this will reach every property owner, for they will be glad from an economical point to use the sewer system, since the expense of connecting with the sewerage mains will be only about half of what it now costs to clean out cesspools and closets.

The cost of connection will be very light, since a man will run through every street in the city and persons will only be charged with the laying of pipes from the property line to the main in the middle of the street, about eleven cents a foot. Below is published a list of many large property owners in the city, with their views on the

### SEWERAGE NO QUESTION OF TAXATION AS SAID BY THE SMALL OPPOSITION

Those Enjoying the Benefits of Sanitation are the Only Ones Required to Pay for Privilege. Many Will Use It However for the Purpose of Economy

### HUNDRED THOUSAND TO BE SPENT AT HOME

Since the city fathers have called an election to be held in this city on June 30th, for the purpose of voting one hundred thousand dollars in bonds with which to build a sewerage system in Tucumcari the question has been much discussed on the streets and in gatherings, and the News finds that the citizens are almost unanimously in favor of the issue.

There are, however, a few persons who argue that the town is not ready for sewerage, and by the time ten thousand people are registered voters here will be ample time to vote bonds for sewerage purposes. This argument is dethroned by investors who realize that a sewerage system is the greatest inducement that could be offered prospective citizens and investors. Sewerage will double the population in three years, in the belief of men who are in a position to know.

Others who know little about the matter, claim that if a system is installed now it will have to be replaced by a larger and a more complete one inside of fifteen years. This argument is also unfounded for conservative engineering reports show that the system proposed will be sufficient to serve the city after it has grown to ten times its present size.

The system is to cost one hundred thousand dollars and this, after considering the fact that considerably more can be done here for that amount than can be done in other localities where the trenches would have to be dug through stone beds and where outside labor would have to be employed. The local system can be built by home labor, and the installation will furnish work for one hundred men for one year. With the exception of the cost of the mains and the freight, all the money spent on the enterprise will be spent at home and the people of Tucumcari will be benefitted to the amount of almost seventy thousand dollars in circulating cash.

Others ask the question of where the waste matter is to be deposited and are considerably disturbed when they learn it is the present plan to run it through septic tanks and discharge the water in the Silver lake bed. These persons,

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### IS NOTIFIED OF NEW AMENDMENT

Entrymen Making Final Proof Prior to Date Are Barred.

### ENGINEERS WILL OBSERVE THE DAY

Railroad Order to Hold Memorial Services at Presbyterian Church.

Memorial day was generally observed in Tucumcari last Monday when the closed and the G. A. R. held short but solemn ceremonies at the cemetery, banks, post office